CHICKASAHAY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1907

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THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Chickasahay Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Quitman Baptist Church

August 28-30, 1907

OFFICERS

W. H. Patton, Moderator, . . . Shubuta, Miss.
O. D. B. Causey, Clerk and Treasurer, . . Buckatunna, Miss.

NEXT MEETING

Place—Shubuta, on Mobile and Ohio railroad, 36 miles south of Meridian, Miss.

Time—Friday, before first Lord's Day in September, 1908, at 9:30 o'clock a. m.

Preacher—W. B. Holcomb, Quitman, Miss. Alternate: R. N. Bryant, Stonewall, Miss.

TELL FARMER
PRINTER
MERIDIAN, MISS.

IN MEMORY
OF
OUR DEAD.

W. J. Entrekin	Buckatunna
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D. R. Red, Sr.	Harmony
Louisa Dedwylder	Harmony
William Palmer	Mt. Zion
Coney Gilbert	Mt. Zion
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Mrs. Lurah Belle Shiry	Pleasant Grove
Mrs. W. M. Hudson	Quitman
Florence Smith	Stonewall
J. W. Smith	Stonewall
Mrs. Nannie Summerlin	Stonewall
H. G. Priester	Stonewall
J. R. Towads	Shubuta
Miss Ida Riley	Union
Mrs. Annie Fountain	Union
Mrs. M. A. Gray	Waynesboro

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. The name of this body shall be the Chickasahay Baptist Association.

ART. 2. Its object shall be the promotion of the Redeemer's Kingdom, by the concentration of Christian labor; the inculcation of Bible truth and the cultivation of friendly intercourse among the churches.

ART. 3. Members of the Association may be of three classes—delegates, pastors of churches holding membership in the Association and messengers. The first and second classes only shall have the right to vote and to produce evidence of their appointment by the churches, which they propose to represent before being entitled to seats.

ART. 4. Each church belonging to the Association shall be entitled to two delegates until its membership shall exceed fifty, and an additional delegate for each fifty thereafter, or fraction thereof, provided that ministers who are members of any such churches but supply other pulpits may be appointed as additional delegates above the regular quota.

ART. 5. The Association shall only have the power of an advisory council, and shall in no wise infringe upon the rights or independence of the churches.

ART. 6. No queries shall be considered by the Association unless regularly sent up through the churches, nor shall difficulties between the churches be discussed until other methods of settlement have been tried without avail.

ART. 7. The Association shall meet annually, as may be agreed upon; and after enrolling the names of the delegates, proceed by ballot to the election of the Moderator and Clerk, who shall be ex-officio Treasurer of the Association.

ART. 8. The duties of the various officers shall be similar to those of all deliberative bodies, and Mell's Parliamentary Manual shall be the basis of all decisions of order.

ART. 9. Churches holding the Articles of Faith, adopted by this body, may become members of the Association by a unanimous vote, and letters of dismissal may be obtained without assigning a reason therefor, by concurrence of a majority, while the Association claims the right of withdrawing from such churches as it shall deem heterodox or disorderly.

ART. 10. The Constitution may be altered or amended at any annual meeting of the Association by a vote of three-fourths of the delegates present; provided the proposed alteration or amendment shall have been submitted at the session immediately preceeding.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

1. We believe in one God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost —equal in power and glory.

2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were written by the inspiration of God, and are the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of original sin, of total depravity and of man's inability to restore himself to the favor of God.

4. We believe that God chose His people, in Jesus Christ, before the foundation of the world, and that they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

5. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God by the imputed righteousness of Christ only.

6. We believe that the Gospel is God's appointed means of calling sinners to the knowledge of the truth; and He has commanded it to be preached to every creature, therefore all are required to obey.

7. We believe that good works are the fruits of faith and the only evidence of justification; and that all believers will abound therein from a principle of love.

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, the just and the unjust; the general judgment, and the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

9. We believe that a visible church of Christ is composed of faithful persons only who have covenanted to keep up a discipline agreeable to the New Testament.

10. We believe that Jesus Christ is the only law-giver of His church, and that the government is with the church, each member having equal rights therein.

11. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are the ordinances of the church, and are to be continued until the second coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

12. We believe that immersion alone is Baptism and can be administered only by those duly set apart by the church, and that believers in Christ are the only proper subjects for the ordinance.

13. We believe that regularly baptized believers only have a right to partake of the Lord's Supper.

RULES OF DECORUM.

1. All meetings of this Association shall be opened with prayer, and closed with prayer or benediction.

2. The officers of the Association shall hold their positions until successors are chosen.

3. The Moderator shall preside, or some brother whom he may designate while speaking, and shall preserve order; his decision being final, unless an appeal is immediately made to the body.

4. It shall be in order for male delegates and messengers only to discuss questions or speak publicly in the sessions of the body, and only one member shall speak at a time, who shall rise and address the Moderator.

5. No member shall be interrupted while speaking unless he depart from the subject under discussion, or use personal reflection.

6. Every motion made and seconded shall be put to a vote, unless withdrawn by the mover.

7. After allowing due time for debate, all questions taken up shall be disposed of before any other motion can be entertained.

8. No member shall speak more than once upon the same subject without permission of the Association, nor shall any practice be tolerated which interrupts speaking.

9. Members shall use the term, brother, when speaking of each other, and shall be rebuked by the Moderator for violation of their rules.

10. These rules may be altered or amended at any annual meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

W. H. PATTON,
Moderator
Shubuta, Miss.

O. D. B. CAUSEY,
Clerk and Treasurer
Buckatunna, Miss.

A REQUEST.

That the Clerks distribute the minutes judiciously, getting one into each family. That the membership read the several reports in them. That the pastor read the report to his congregation on the object for which he is taking a collection. That the pastors and deacons endeavor to have collections taken during the Associational year for State, Home, and Foreign Missions, Sustentation, Ministerial Education, Orphange and Colportage. That you enlist the entire membership. That one hundred men in the Association give ten dollars each for the three missions, dividing as you like, and send it up through your church. If you will be one of a hundred write to me, telling me so.

When Brother Holcomb shall make a list of appointments for Sunday School Evangelist, J. E. Byrd, by grouping Sunday Schools that all Sunday School workers will attend the Sunday School Institutes.

W. H. PATTON, Moderator.

MINISTERIAL REGISTER.

ORDAINED.

R. D. Maum	Hiwanee	E. A. Clark	Stonewall
J. J. Anderson	Nancy	J. M. Phillips	Shubuta
F. H. Culp	Buckatunna	J. J. Walker	Shubuta
W. B. Holcomb	Quitman	Luther Norris	Shubuta
C. S. Ray	Quitman	J. O. Crawford	Waynesboro
R. W. Bryant	Stonewall		

LICENSED.

G. W. Harger ..... Stonewall

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY—Morning Session.

Quitman Baptist Church, Quitman, Miss., Aug. 28, 1907.

At 9:30 o'clock the Association was called to order by the Moderator, W. H. Patton, in its thirty-second annual session.

Devotional exercises were conducted by R. W. Bryant. Read the 32nd Psalm; prayer by R. W. Bryant and W. H. Patton.

W. H. Patton resumed his place as Moderator, and O. D. B. Causey as Clerk. When a roll call of the churches showed the following representatives present. The Moderator appointed the following committee to read the letters: W. B. Holcomb and R. W. Bryant. Proceeded with the reading of the letters. Several letters were read:

Buckatunna—T. F. Sumrall, O. D. B. Causey.
Big Creek—Not represented.
Chicora—Not represented.
Concord—Not represented.
Clear Creek—Chas. M. Graham, B. F. Watts.
DeSoto—R. L. Etheredge, Robert Alred.
Enterprise—W. H. Foster.
Fairfield—Abb Rodgers.
Chopperall—J. A. Chapman.
Harmony—C. W. Berry, Thomas Sims, G. W. Kennedy.
Hepzibah—Not represented.
Hiwanee—W. D. Covington, R. D. Maum.
Knight's Valley—J. E. Pope, J. D. Watters.
Mt. Zion—C. D. O'Gwynn, S. B. McIlwain.
Mt. Rose—C. H. Acklen, J. M. Johnson, Allen Fountain.
New Hope—Not represented.
Oak Grove—M. C. Pugh, J. G. Quinley.
Pachuta—S. B. Rodgers, M. D. Parker.
Pleasant Grove—J. D. McDonald.
Pholti—Not represented.
Pine Hill—Barney Taylor, Clifford Nix.
Quitman—G. L. Donald, W. B. Holcomb, J. M. Carter, A. White.
Shubuta—J. M. Phillips, W. H. Patton, J. J. Walker.
Souinlovie—By letter.
State Line—Not represented.
Stonewall—J. W. Tucker, J. G. Prester, R. W. Bryant, J. H. Harper.
Union—W. E. Carter, J. A. Smith, R. L. Rawlins, W. L. Brunson, Jr.
Waynesboro—John S. Busby, P. A. Busby, Bracy Beard, J. W. Thompson.

The following committee was appointed on Finance: Prof. W. H. Foster, J. W. Tucker, R. L. Rawlins.

Partial report on credentials by Clerk. We were favored with a fine paper from W. H. Patton.

Hours of meeting were fixed as follows: Meet at 9 o'clock a. m., adjourn at 12; meet at 2 o'clock, adjourn at 5; meet at 7:30 o'clock, adjourn at will.

Adjourned for dinner with prayer by W. B. Holcomb.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

House called to order by the Moderator; sang, "Stand up for Jesus." Prayer; proceeded to business. Pine Hill reported in afternoon of first day.

Moved and seconded, that the Association go into the election of Moderator and Clerk. W. H. Patton was re-elected Moderator and O. D. B. Causey re-elected Clerk.

Motioned that the name of Fairmount Church be changed to Chapperell. Motion prevailed and the name was changed and letter read.

Messengers to General Association to meet at Lake Como —W. B. Holcomb, R. D. Maum, R. W. Bryant and Prof. W. H. Foster.

Messengers to Lebanon Association—W. B. Holcomb, W. H. Patton, J. J. Walker, R. W. Bryant.

Messengers to Liberty Association, to meet at Bethany, Lauderdale county—W. L. Brunson, Sr., R. L. Rawlins, W. E. Carter, J. M. Johnson.

Messengers to Lauderdale County Association, to meet at New Hope—W. L. Brunson, Jr., J. W. Tucker, R. W. Bryant, Jacob Sumrall, W. H. Foster, J. A. Smith.

Reports from all of the churches represented were given orially and resulted in seemingly great good, the brethren received inspiration from each other, and I feel sure they are determined to do greater things this year than they did last.

John M. Carmichael was recognized as messenger from Liberty Association.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

Woman's Work—W. B. Holcomb, Ab Rogers, C. W. Berry, J. D. Watters.

Sustentation—W. H. Foster, Thomas Sims, J. D. Watters, Barney Taylor, J. A. Chapman.

Education—J. M. Phillips, W. H. Foster, J. M. Johnson, Clifford Nix.

Orphanage—W. H. Foster, C. D. O'Gwynn, Allen Fountain, R. L. Etheredge.

Home Missions—J. J. Walker, Robert Alred, W. D. Covington.

Foreign Missions—R. W. Bryant, G. W. Kennedy, T. F. Sumrall, S. B. McIlwain.

State Missions—R. D. Maum, C. H. Acklen, M. C. Pugh, B. F. Watts.

Temperance—M. W. Buckley, J. G. Quinley, J. D. McDonald, C. M. Graham, C. M. McKee.

Ministerial Education—O. D. B. Causey, J. M. Carter, J. H. Harper, J. W. Thompson.

Colportage—Jacob Sumrall, R. D. Maum, J. A. Smith, Bracy Beard.

Layman's Movement—W. L. Brunson, Jr., D. R. Red, A. White, J. G. Prester.

Church Discipline—J. J. Walker, J. W. Tucker, W. E. Carter, P. A. Busby.

Publication—J. M. Phillips, J. G. Prester, R. L. Rawlins, John S. Busby.

Nominations—W. H. Foster, W. B. Holcomb, O. D. B. Causey, G. W. Kennedy, W. L. Brunson, Jr.

Brother Jamerson, from Aberdeen Association, was recognized, and gave some fine talks on colportage. He is a wide-awake colporteur.

Petitionary Letter from Shady Grove, B. E. Loucas and T. M. Jones, men who were instrumental in the organization, after the petitionary letter was read, a motion was offered, motion prevailed, and Shady Grove was enrolled as a member of Chickasahay Baptist Assosiation.

Interesting talk by J. J. Walker, advocating Our Home Field and other good reading matter.

On motion by Rev. J. M. Phillips to take up report on Orphanage after Associational sermon.

Report on Colportage read by Jacob Sumrall. Moved and seconded that report be adopted. Motion prevailed, discussed by Jacob Sumrall, R. D. Maum, Brother Jamerson.

COLPORTAGE.

We, the Committee, find from minutes of 1902 to 1906, this question has been before this body and nothing accomplished. We still think an efficient man should be in the field—one that has the work at heart, to visit the weak churches and see the people in their homes, and pray with them and urge them to attend the church, put their children in Sunday School and read good literature, such as Bibles, Testaments, Tracts, and especially our denominational papers. Urge them to take the Foreign Mission Journal and the Home Field. The field is large, for instance east of the Mobile and Ohio railroad the churches of this Association covers a distance of fifty miles north and south. West of said road seventy-five miles. Thus the importance of the work.

We find that $58 was subscribed and cash collected at Waynesboro in 1904; also $118 at Stonewall in 1905 for this work.

Now, brethren, we believe the churches of this body should wake up out of this lethergy and indifference and go to work as they have never done before. The field is large and the harvest white and ready for laborers when put in the field. Submitted.

JACOB SUMRALL,
R. D. MAUM,
J. A. SMITH,
BRACY BEARD.

The following brethren were on the ground representing the following papers, etc.: J. J. Walker, representing Home Field; R. W. Bryant, representing the Baptist Record; Jacob Sumrall, representing Orphange Gem.

Motion to adiourn until 7:30 o'clock. Motion prevailed, dismissed with prayer by Brother Jamerson.

Evening Service.

Song, "Jesus is Calling."

Prayer.

Song, "We have heard the Joyful Sound."

Scriptural reading by Rev. Bryant.

Hour having arrived for Associational sermon, R. D. Maum preached from text: Rom. 8–9, "Now if any man have not the spirit of Christ, he is none of His."

After sermon by Rev. Maum, the Moderator took his chair and proceeded to business.

Report on Orphanage was read by Prof. W. H. Foster, discussed by W. H. Foster and R. W. Bryant. Special collection for Orphanage amounting to $26, discussed by Brother Jamerson. Report adopted.

ORPHANAGE.

Never before in the history of the Church has such a wonderful work been accomplished for the poor and helpless as is to-day being done. To substantiate this statement, we have only to look at the work done during the last year in our orphanage. That splendid institution under the management of our consecrated Brother Carter is accomplishing wonderful things for suffering humanity and for God.

An average of 120 children has been cared for during the year, and there are now 122 little ones in the home. Four little babes have been adopted into good homes from the institution. This is a work that we should be justly proud of.

Aside from the care of this crowd of children the improvement of the property has not been neglected. A two-story brick building, which will accommodate about fifty babies, is nearing completion. This will cost about $6.000, and Brother Carter needs now about $1,500 to complete it and feed his great family during the rest of the summer.

The canning factory at a cost of $1,170, has been completed, while the wood shop has been enlarged and further furnished with a planing machine, turning lathe, rip saw, jointing machine and scroll saw, costing altogether $355.

The spiritual and intellectual needs of the children have been carefully looked after. Twenty-eight of these children have professed faith in Christ during the year and are lining up for Christian work. All the children but five have had the advantage of an eight months' school under conscientious teachers.

This is a noble work and is practical Christianity. We must not, at any time, forget these little ones, at all times contributions are gratefully received. We feel that the young people of our churches should be taught their obligation to this cause, and to this end we strongly urge a careful consideration of the recommendation of last year's report: "That each Sunday School in the Association take a collection on the first Sabbath of each month for the benefit of the orphanage."

We ask that the support of this cause continue to be as liberal as it has been in the past and that God's blessings may rest on these fatherless children.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. FOSTER,
J. A. FOUNTAINE,
R. L. ETHEREDGE.

Adjourned to meet Thursday at 9 o'clock a. m., with prayer by Brother Jamerson.

SECOND DAY—Morning Session.

Called to order by Moderator. Devotional exercises. Song service. Prayer by Rev. J. J. Walker.

Report on Church Discipline was read by J. J. Walker. Moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Discussed by J. J. Walker, Jacob Sumrall. Report adopted.

CHURCH DISCIPLINE.

By church discipline is meant that exercise of judicial authority of a church in the enforcement of these laws which Christ has given His Churches against those who violate the purity, peace, prosperity and honor of the church. The following Scriptures are cited as authorizing the exercise of discipline, Matt. 18, 15-17, is regarded as a classic passage: "And if thy brother sin against thee, go and show him his faults between thee and him alone; if he hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother. But if he hear thee not, take with thee one or two more, that at the mouth of two witnesses or three every word may be established; and if he refuse to hear them, tell it unto the church; and if he refuse to hear the church also, let him be unto thee as the Gentile and the Publican."

"A man that is a heretic after a first and second admonition, refuse, knowing that such a man is perverted, and sinneth, being self-comdemed." Tit. 3:10.

Now, we command you, brethren in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly and not after the tradition which they receive of us, 2nd Thes. 3:6. And if any man obeyeth not our word by this epistle, note that man, that ye have no company with him, to the end that he be ashamed. And yet count him not as an enemy, but admonish him as a brother. Verse 14:15. In the Corinthian Church there was a young man who had married his father's widow, and the church had made no objections, and so Paul wrote that the church should deliver such an one unto satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus. * * * Now I write unto you not to keep company, if any man that is named a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a reviler, or a drunkard, or an extortioner, of such a one, no not to eat. Cor. 5, 5-11.

Sufficient to such a one is this punishment, which was inflicted by the many; so that contraviwise ye should rather forgive him and comfort him, lest by any means such a one should be swallowed up with his over much sorrow. 2nd Cor. 2:6-7.

Brethren, even if a man be overtaken in any trespass, ye which are spiritual restore such an one in a spirit of weakness; looking to thyself lest those also be tempted. Gal. 6:1.

The purpose according to the foregoing passages are (1) To preserve the honor and purity of the church. (2) To reclaim the offender. (3) To furnish the transgresser. (4) To deter others from offending. The offenses for which the church should exercise her disciplinary authority. (1) Fornication; (2) Adultry; (3) Covetness; (4) Drunkardness; (5) Extortion; (6) Hereses; (7) Idleness), 2nd Thess. 3, 6, 15. In a word, whatever impairs the honor, purity, peace and progress of the church is of sufficient gravity to authorize the church to proceed in the exercise of discipline. The consequences which come to a church which is delinquent in the exercise of discipline are set forth in many places in the scriptures. By consulting the seven epistles addressed to the seven churches of Asia, as found in Rev. 2:3. We learn that the Divine power is dependent upon the vigilance of the churches in the exercise of such wholesome discipline as will either correct or cut off all disorderly and profane persons. Andrew Fuller says: "We have seen churches of this description in the midst of a career of spiritual prosperity, edifying one another in love, and gathering souls to the Redeemer's Kingdom, all in a little time blasted and ruined by some unhappy event that has thrown into disorder. One of the members, it may be, has acted unworthy, he is reproved; his relations or particular acquaintances, take on his sides. Discipline is interrupted, the churches divided into parties, hard things are said on both sides, the bond of love is broken, tender minds are grieved and retire; worship is thinly attended and the enjoyment of it is van-

ished. God's friends mourn in secret and His enemies triumph." Oh, brethren, it is a serious thing to occasion the ruin of a church of Jesus Christ. If any man defile the temple of God, him will God destroy.

Jesus lay down the steps to be taken in Matt. 18-15:18. This language is generally held to apply to personal or private offenses only, but it is held by many of the best critics that the expression against this is an enterpolation, and therefore should be omitted. In this case the instruction given by Jesus is applicable to public as well as private offenses.

In cases of notorious and complicated wickedness it appears that in the primitive churches immediate exclusion was the consequences. In the case of the Corinthian there are no directions given for his being admonished and excluded, only in case of his being incorribly impenitent. The apostle determined what should be dome. "In the name of the Lord Jesus when ye are gathered together to deliver such an one to satan." We cannot but consider it as an error in the discipline of some churches where persons have been detected in gross and aggravated wickedness, that their exclusion has been suspended, and many cases omitted on the grounds of their professed repentance. But allowing that repentance in such cases is sincere, still it is not of such account as to set aside the necessity of exclusion. The end to be answered by this measure is not merely the good of the party, but the closing of the Christian church from the very appearance of conniving at immorality, and which cannot be accomplished by repentance only. In the execution of Christian discipline there are many things to be done by the members of the churches individually, and it is upon the proper discharge of these duties that much of the peace and purity of a church depends. If we be faithful to one another there will be but few occasions of public censure.

In conclusion, let it be remembered that the exercise of wise discipline by way of reclaiming the erring and correcting the disorderly, and vindicating the purity, peace, honor and prosperity of the church is indispensable to the highest expression of Christian character and life. Christian growth, the honor of the church and the glory of God, demand the exercise of this authority.

J. J. WALKER,
P. A. BUSBY,
J. W. TUCKER.
Committee.

Report on Sunday Schools read by G. L. Donald, moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Discussed by Colonel Donald, R. D. Maum, R. W. Bryant, J. J. Walker, W. H. Foster, M. W. Buckley, W. H. Patton and J. D. Watters. Report adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Glad tidings of great joy come to us from all directions along the line of the Sunday School Work in the Southern Baptist Convention.

The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, held at Richmond, Va., in May last, reports that God's blessings has been very great, and He has given success in all our works; that the work has grown in every direction and in every department. Its financial growth is phenominal. The net assets for the year being $1,810,042.10, an increase of $176,900.47 in the last fifteen years.

We should rejoice at the advance being made in the great work, and ascribe all honor to God with praise and thanksgiving. "The Sunday School is the noblest development of the nineteenth century."

These institutions have increased rapidly in the last twenty-five years, and if properly conducted are calculated to produce a highly beneficial effect on the religious improvement of the rising generation. While there has been great improvement in the system and mode in which the institutions have been conducted, there yet remains many defects to be overcome.

The principle deficiency, we believe, is the want of Biblical and general knowledge on the part of teachers, which all religious instructors

ought to possess.

The dictates of reason and the general practice of mankind indicate to us that every man should be trained for the profession he adopts. If this be true, is the matter of religious instruction of so little importance that this rule should be set aside in selecting teachers for Sunday Schools? In order to overcome this deficiency in our teachers and their teaching, we recommend that our Sunday Schools adopt the Teachers' Training System as developed by Bro. B. W. Spillman, one of the field secretaries of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The great aim of the school for the education of Christians, is to accumulate and use power for the forwarding of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ. The fruits of a Sunday School should be the same as that of a church. Knowledge and the building of character are the results of either.

Your committee reiterates the recommendation contained in the Sunday School report at your last meeting, that the Moderator appoint some member of this body to arrainge a list of dates with the Sunday School missionary, that adjacent churches be grouped, and that a Sunday Institute be held at the most suitable place in each group.

May this grand and important work continue to grow and develop until every member of every Baptist church in the land, old and young, become members of the Sunday School and help to push forward this great work.

Respectfully submitted,

G. L. DONALD,
J. W. TUCKER,
J. E. POPE, Ch'm'n.

On motion by R. D. Maum, that the report of Layman's Movement come just before the reports on missions.

Report of Mrs. Georgia Phillips, Vice-President of Woman's Work read and adopted without discussion.

REPORT OF VICE-PRESIDENT OF WOMAN'S WORK.

Doubtless, the reports from the churches show what the Woman's Missionary Societies have done this Associational year. I am sure, though, that this does not represent all that our women have done.

In many churches, especially those in the country, it has not seemed practicable to have organized societies, hence many of our women have, doubtless, contributed altogether through their churches. I have observed, though, that those who belong to the Missionary Society contribute as much to the church, yea even more, as they would if the society did not exist.

While the subject of missions has not been altogether neglected by the societies, yet their work this year has been largely confined to Home uses. This need was so great that I hadn't the heart to press other objects. But now that these needs have been, to a great extent, supplied, I entreat our women to join in the great forward movement that the women of our Southern Baptist Convention are undertaking for this year.

Let me ask the pastors, where it is at all practicable, they will see that there is a Woman's Missionary Union, a Young Woman's Auxiliary and a Sunbeam Society in their churches.

Who can estimate the good that may be accomplished with all these forces at work—the mothers, the younger women and girls, and the children, all united for the extension of the Redeemer's Kingdom.

I regret that I have not accomplished more this year, that I cannot make a glowing report, but I trust that God has blessed the little that I have done to His glory.

I have organized one society, a Sunbeam, of nineteen members.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGIE DEES PHILLIPS.

Report on Woman's Work read by W. B. Holcomb, discussed by R. D. Maum and J. J. Walker. Report adopted.

WOMAN'S WORK.

We, your Committee on Woman's Work, would report that this department of our work claims a large share of our attention. In the days of the personal ministry of our Lord, Mary and other women ministered to Him and His disciples of their substance, which was, perhaps, the first woman's aid society on record. The first church in Europe was at Philippi, it began with a woman's prayer meeting. This church, composed mainly of women, followed Paul with their contributions both to Thessalonica and to Rome. Some of the most thrilling stories in the history of modern missions are told in connection with woman's work; and in the last few years the women have greatly assisted the boards of the Southern Baptist Convention, and even last year to the amount of $125,000.

Aside from this they give in their aid society, they contribute regularly as church members to pastor's salary and all good objects. Their bright and hopeful spirits and helpful presence in all of the meetings make them one of the most useful factors in all our work.

Woman's Work is auxiliary to all of man's work, and much that is their own distinctively. So, in the language of the great apostle Paul, we say to all our brethren, "Help these women."

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. HOLCOMB,
AB. ROGERS,
C. W. BERRY,
J. D. WATTERS.

The ladies met at the Methodist church in the afternoon of the second day of the Association. J. J. Walker was appointed to address the body.

Motioned to change the fourth clause of the Constitution of Chickasahay Baptist Association to read, "fifty or fraction thereof." Motion prevailed and the Constitution will read fraction thereof.

Letter from Pholti received and delegates seated.

Adjourned for dinner with prayer by W. B. Holcomb.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order by the Moderator. Song service: "'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus."

Report of Executive Committee was read by W. H. Patton and adopted without discussion.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The committee held a meeting soon after the Association to see if anything could be done about putting in a colporteur, but a suitable man for the place "that will have it, couldn't be found." At a future meeting J. J. Walker and R. D. Maum were added to fill vacances occasioned by the removal of S. B. Culpepper, and J. A. Hackett giving up Shubuta church. Program prepared and the fifth Sunday meeting at Waynesbsro was not very well attended. Had another in June at Knight's Valley, probably the best ever held by the Chickasahay Association. It was thought impracticable to have a Sunday School Institute on Tuesday preceeding the Association and no program was prepared. The brethren were requested to prepare reports, and all but two complied.

W. H. PATTON,
J. M. PHILLIPS,
W. B. HOLCOMB,
W. H. FOSTER,
R. D. MAUM.

Report on Publications was read by R. D. Maum and moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Discussed by

R. D. Maum, R. W. Bryant, J. M. Phillips, Jacob Sumrall. Report was adopted.

PUBLICATIONS.

Your Committee on Publications desire to say that insofar as this question impresses itself upon us, we see no new phazes of the question, except the enlargement and improvement of the Foreign Mission Journal and Home Field and the splendid work now done by the Baptist Record. We therefore reproduce the report of the committee on this question at our meeting last year, which reads as follows:

"One of the most potent factors for good or for evil in our present complicated system of civilization, is the printed page. The thought gleaned from its surface as it comes into our home, often determines the future success and welfare of its reader. How important then, it is that we should see that its contents are such that its influence will not be for evil. In our work as a denomination, the power of this agent is seen in our denominational papers. Of special importance we would mention the Baptist Record, at Jackson, our own State paper, that comes to us each week filled with encouraging news from others working in the Master's cause. The Western Recorder comes to us with cheering news from other fields, while the Home Field, the Foreign Mission Journal and our own Orphanage Gem furnishes us excellent information in their particular lines.

"There is no excuse. On every hand we find the golden thoughts stored and ready for our use. The neglect is on our part. In how many homes of the many Baptists of our own Association do we find these splendid helps to our Christian homes? Then, brethren, let us remember our duty in this line, and give liberally of our substance to the maintenance of these papers. There is one danger, however. We are sometimes prone to go to extremes. In our enthusiasm and zeal for our papers, we should never forget God's printed work—the Bible. Man may err in his opinion and writings, but in God's revealed word we may meditate day and night, knowing that in them we have eternal life. To those noble men who have given their lives, their all, to this great and good cause, we would hereby express our highest appreciation and give them our prayers and support in their future work in this great field."

We recommed that a committee be appointed in each church to secure subscription for the Baptist Record, Foreign Mission Journal, Home Field and Orphange Gem, and that the publishers allow them commission for each subscriber and renewals secured. We recommend the use of the Southern Baptist Convention series of literature.

Submitted,

R. D. MAUM,
J. G. PRIESTER,
R. L. RAWLINS,
JNO. S. BUSBY.

Report on Education was read by J. M. Phillips. Moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Discussed by W. B. Holcomb and W. H. Foster.

EDUCATION.

The primary meaning of the word "educate" is to bring up a child physically or mentally, to lead forth, bring up, etc. It implies to develop and cultivate, whether physically, mentally or morally. Hence, true education is threefold.

First—Physical: As the body is the house of the soul, the casket that contains a priceless jewell, it should be trained from infancy to be strong, heathful and vigorous, so that the individual may possess the inestimable boon of a sound mind in a sound body. Instead of strengthening and building up the physical powers by habits of temperance, exercise and cleanliness, there are too many who, by dissipation, sloth and neglect, impair and well nigh destroy these God-given powers. Parents everywhere, and teachers in all our schools and colleges should look well to the physical training of the rising generation. Every form of dissipation

which would undermine the health and vigor of the body, should be discouraged and discountenanced by all of us who have at heart the well being of our fellowmen.

Secondly—True education consists in mental or intellectual training. The mind of man is said to be that in him that thinks, remembers, reasons, wills. Hence, true intellectual training implies the development of all these faculties to the highest possible point, so that the individual may think accurately, remember correctly, reason logically and will to do those things which will be for the betterment of himself and his fellowmen.

Thirdly—True education consists in the training of the moral and spiritual powers. In the language of another: "We should educate, not for time, but for eternity; not for self, but for humanity." I quote here the concluding thought contained in the report on education last year, written by Prof. G. H. Brunson: "Because of the potency of example as well as precept, and because of the great power of the school teacher in moulding the character of the young, trustees of public schools, as far as practicable, should select to preside over the youth of their community, Christian teachers of the most exemplary habits and lives. Human life is too serious and too short to run any risks whatever, from the evil example and pernicious teachings of ungodly instructors. We beg to close this report by offering the suggestion to parents and others who have children or wards to send off to high schools and colleges, that they select those institutions in which the moral and spiritual training of the pupils is looked after and emphasized. We feel confident that no better school for our boys and young men can be found than Mississippi College, and for our girls and young ladies than Blue Mountain Female College and Hillman College. We also take pleasure in commending the South Mississippi College, located at Hattiesburg, as a most excellent institution for both sexes.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. PHILLIPS, Ch'm'n,
W. H. FOSTER,
J. M. JOHNSON,
CLIFFORD NIX.

Report on Ministerial Education was read by O. D. B. Causey. Moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Discussed by R. W. Bryant.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

When the Master lays His hand upon a person and calls him to the most important calling in which a man can be engaged, He calls him for the full measure of His power. He cannot serve Him so completely and acceptably among his fellowmen till these powers have been trained and cultivated by taking such literary courses as is provided in our colleges. Is Christianity true? Is it the duty of some men to spend their lives impressing its facts, expounding its principles and standing as ambassadors for its perfect and Divine founder? Who is sufficient for these things? Every sincere heart must answer no man. His sufficiency must come from above, and yet how can any man give his consent to stand under such responsibilities without the highest possible development of his God-given powers. Above all men the preacher needs to be intelligent; above all men the preacher needs to acquire the power of learning and holding knowledge; above all men the preacher needs to acquire the power of accurate thinking; above all men the preacher needs to be able to see all sides of every question. Many who are called to this high service not able financially to pay their expenses at college. To meet this need the Baptist of Mississippi contribute their means to be destributed by the Board of Ministerial Education, of which Dr. W. T. Lowrey is chairman, and is furnished by providing rooms for the unmarried students in the Ministers' Cottages on the Mississippi College campus, and cottages for the married students. There were 66 young ministerial students in Mississippi College during the last session.

There is advancement on every hand in this day—laymen are becoming educated and well informed in various lines of industry. Our preachers must prepare themselves for acceptable leaders of these cultured audiences

if they desire for themselves the fulness of service which God requires. Let our young ministers not be satisfied with a preparation for life short of a college course at Mississippi College, and much better would they be prepared for their life-work to take a course at our Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., and let our laymen contribute liberally in season to the noble cause of Ministerial Education.

Respectfully,

O. D. B. CAUSEY,
J. M. CARTER,
J. H. HARPER,
J. W. THOMPSON.

Report on Temperance was read by M. W. Buckley. Moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Discussed by M. W. Buckley and W. H. Patton.

TEMPERANCE.

The great cause of temperance is moving forward to-day with giant strides, never before in the history of the nation, or even the history of the world has the entire country been so deeply interested in the breaking up of the great evil of intemperance. We have been led to rejoice in the past over the victories of the local option law, and as county after county of our State was placed in the dry column we felt that the cause was making great progress, and it is a cause of just pride to know that four of the only twelve wet counties reported at our last Association, have joined the list. But we cannot afford to rest one moment in this great cause until every county in our State is in the dry column, and our State has declared herself in favor of State prohibition.

Already Georgia leading the fight, has declared for State prohibition. Mississippi should not delay, and we should urge our legislators to act in their next meeting in Jackson on the first of next January.

The church must lead in this work. Usually the world is indifferent to the evil effects of any existing custom, so it remains for the followers of Christ to go to the front in the fight against intemperance. The Christian, then, cannot afford to be among those who tarry long at the wine. They must, indeed, be total abstainers. The subject of temperance literature should be carefully looked into by our churches, and the young people should be furnished with such reading matter as will direct their attention to this cause and show them the evil effects of such indulgence.

Whereas, All the States have, more or less, prohibition territory within their borders.

Resolved 1. That we respectfully, but very earnestly request, the officers of our national government not to issue privilege taxes for the sale of liquors where its sale is prohibited by the laws of the State.

M. W. BUCKLEY,
J. B. QUINLY,
J. D. McDONALD,
S. M. McKEE.

A resolution was read by the Clerk. Moved and seconded that the resolution be adopted. Adopted by a unanimous (rising) vote.

RESOLUTION.

Whereas, Owing to the importance of the cities of Vicksburg, Greenville, Biloxi, Gulfport and Scranton to the whole State as radiating centers of influence; and,

Whereas, The sentiment among the Christian people of Adams, Warren, Washington, Harrison, Jackson and Hancock counties are anxious to be relieved of this incubas, the licensed liquor traffic, in these cities and towns.

Resolved, That this Association hereby expresses its hearty sympathy with, and pledges its moral support towards a movement which looks to the closing up of these places of sin and human destruction by memoral-

izing the next Legislature to close the saloons, prohibit the traffic in intoxicants and submit a constitutional amendment to the people.

W. H. PATTON, Moderator.
O. D. B. CAUSEY, Clerk,
R. D. MAUM.

Adopted by a rising vote in the Association, Aug. 28, 1907.
O. D. B. CAUSEY, Clerk.

Report on Nominations was read by W. H. Foster. Adopted without discussion.

NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee on Nominations, beg leave to report as follows: That the Association meet with the Baptist church at Shubuta at 9:30 a. m., on Friday before the first Sunday in September, 1908; that the sermon be preached by W. B. Holcomb, with R. W. Bryant as alternate. For delegate to Southern Baptist Convention, W. B. Holcomb, with J. J. Walker as alternate. Delegates to Mississippi Baptist State Convention, O. D. B. Causey, P. A. Busby, R. D. Maum, S. D. Owen, W. H. Patton, J. N. Shirley, Jeff M. Carter, G. W. Kennedy, W. L. Brunson, Jr., Jacob Sumrall, J. W. Tucker, M. W. Buckley, J. H. Rogers, Ab. Rogers.

Executive Committee—W. H. Patton, R. D. Maum, J. M. Phillips, W. B. Holcomb, J. J. Walker, R. W. Bryant, O D. B. Causey.

We further recommend that Miss R. H. Dabbs be appointed Associational Vice-President of Woman's Work.

Most respectfully submitted,

W. H. FOSTER,
W. B. HOLCOMB,
O. D. B. CAUSEY,
G. W. KENNEDY,
W. L. BRUNSON, JR.

Adjourned with prayer by J. M. Phillips.

EVENING SESSION.

Song service, "Amazing Grace." Prayer by R. W. Bryant.

Report on Laymen's Movement was read by W. L. Brunson, Jr. Moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Discussed by W. L. Brunson, Jr., and W. H. Patton.

LAYMEN'S MOVEMENT.

Your Committee on the Laymen's Movement beg to submit the following report: This being the first report that has been called for by this Association on this subject, we deem it not amiss to state that this movement was put on foot at the late Southern Baptist Convention, which met at Richmond only a few months ago. At a special meeting, composed exclusively of laymen, which was possibly one of the most important events of the Convention. The meeting was a very enthusiastic one. Large sums of money was pledged for the Master's work. One brother pledged $50,000, to be paid in ten annual payments. The object of the movement is simply an honest attempt on the part of laymen to fulfill in the next 25 years our Lord's command to preach the gospel to every creature. It is a practical undertaking by practical Christian men in a plain practical way. Its aim is to induce the Christian laymen to employ his money, his time and his intelligence in his religion in the same practical common-sense way as he does in his business or his profession. Its purpose is to stimulate men to action. It is possible to give in the next 25 years to every man a chance to be saved. The doors are open in every nation.

The vessels of commerce are waiting to carry the messengers of the Cross to every clime. Vast stores of wealth are in the hands of our Christian laymen. While men and women are eager to hear the tidings of salvation to the ends of the earth. The world would be Christianized to-day had it not been for the indifference of Christians of past ages and their unwillingness to obey the Master's command. It is the opinion of this committee that no organized effort has been made of recent years of greater importance and promise than the laymen's movement.

The work of looking after the Kingdom of God has been left to the preachers long enough. They have kept the work of the Churches, Boards, Associations and Conventions going, while most of us have contented ourselves by grudgingly putting up a small pittance with which to carry on the work. The preachers not only give their time, but put us to shame in giving of their means in proportion to their ability. While the consecration of the laymen's means is one of the principal objects of the movement, it is readily recognized that this is impossible till heart, head and hands are enlisted in the service of the King.

Hence, we appeal to our laymen to rally to the work of the local church and our denominational agencies. The Orphanage, the College, the Baptist papers, State, Home and Foreign Missions. The movement is in no sense an additional organization, but a movement within the churches to enlist more thoroughly the thought and activity of the laity. We want the laymen that compose this Association to be well up toward the front in this great forward step. We, therefore, most urgently recommend that some one in each church take this matter up in earnest and see that something is done along this line; see that your pastor's salary is paid, if not increased. Take pledges for the various missions for the next year. Let us all at least double the next year what we have done this. This is a very reasonable proposition. We think it would be a wise step if the pastors would appoint some suitable member in each church to lead in this movement.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. BRUNSON, JR.,
J. D. PRIESTER.

Tract read by W. H. Patton, "How to get rich."

Song, "My Purpose."

Report on Foreign Missions was read by R. W. Bryant. Moved and seconded that the report be adopted.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

God is the author of Foreign Missions. This work started in Heaven. God so loved the world that He gave His Son. That Son was Christ. "As the Father hath sent Me, even so send I you." This is the greatest commission ever given to mortal man. Christ promised the presence, power and guidence of His Holy Spirit. He gave the great command to His disciples to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. This is the work to which we, as individual Christians, as Churches, as an Association is committed. It is this that engages our thoughts, our purposes, our plans and prayers. In this report we present to you the record of what our Foreign Mission Board has done during the past year. The contributions last year amounted to $403,811.45, and rejoice when we say this is far ahead of any former year. When we remember that 1,900,000 people gave the amount, remember that it is less than 25 cents per member.

We ought to bow our heads in shame that we have done so little. We can, we should, we will do better. We have been making a beginning—only a beginning. Yet we rejoice that some are giving liberally. A number of individuals and small churches give the salary of a native preacher in China ($100). Quite a number of others give the salary of a missionary ($600). A goodly number of our people and churches have given more than $1,000, and even some churches gave more for Foreign Missions last year than they paid for their pastor's salary. Some churches gave more than $4,000.

Christ is at the foundation of this work, and is leading us in this great work. He loves a lost world. Our missionaries on the front line have stood midst dangers and difficulties. Some have fallen, weak and faint, but the banner of the Lord has gone forward and they send back the glorious report of 2,239 baptisms during the year. Is not this enough to make everyone of us join in thanksgiving and praise to God? The Board had been working for 45 years, and up to 1890 the number of churches was 2,213, and now God gives us more than that number in one year. We have more than 500 missionaries in the foreign field. Baptisms in the foreign field the past year were 2,239. Total membership in the foreign field 14,437. We would not fail to mention the medical mission, which is doing a great good. The physicians pleaded for help. This is one way in which we can reach the lost. And then the schools and printing plants are doing a great deal to bring the lost to Christ. We report out of 26 churches only 16 churches gave any thing for Foreign Missions. These 16 churches gave the small amount of $228.88; last year this Association gave $153.14.

We, your committee, would recommend that the churches pray more, give more and expect greater things of our Lord.

Submitted,

R. W. BRYANT,
S. B. McILWAIN,
T. F. SUMRALL,
G. W. KENNEDY.

Report on State Missions was read by W. B. Holcomb. Moved and seconded that the report be adopted.

STATE MISSIONS.

Your Committee on State Missions believe that their report this year should be largely statistical. Committees of previous years have made known the plans and purposes of State Missions, and have made clear as can be, the details of the work as done by our Board.

We believe our report ought to be statistical because we need to raise the standard of our contributions to this cause and we must have accurate knowledge of the work now being done, that we may line for greater things.

Statistics from report of our Secretary, Bro. A. V. Rowe, are:

First—Aggregate of all churches helped by State Missions	504
Second—Value of church property	$678,500
Third—Annual contribution to missions	25,000

Statistics furnished by our minutes of 1905-06, excluding the two Meridian churches, Forty-first Avenue and Highlands:

State Missions, 1905	$206 81
State Missions, 1906	263 78

An increase of $56.97 over 1905, and an increase 21.6%.

Statistics gathered from Associational letters and report of pastors show that $314.47 have been given to State Misstons this year, which is $50.69 more than was given last year, and 16.1% in advance of last year's gifts.

The pressing needs of the churches and of State Missions are that every member be enlisted and a contribution secured; that the laymen of our churches be more fully organized and enlisted; that they give more largely of thought and money to State Missions; that a general line-up be inaugurated for missions in general and for State Missions in particular.

That the above objects may be accomplished, your committee beg to make the followiug recommendations:

First. That the Executive Committee formulate and recommend plans in keeping with the above recommendations.

Second. That delegates and pastors of this Association co-operate in carrying out the plans so formulated and recommended.

Third. That these plans and recommendations be put into operation at the earliest possible date.

Our Lord has graciously blessed the churches of this Association, several of which are supported in part by State Missions. Great meetings and great harvests have charactized the year's work; but what of our obligations to State Missions, and how have we met tnem? Let us here and now raise the standard, and let it not fall till every obligation is met and every object receives its proper consideration from our churches.

Respectfully submitted,

R. D. MAUM,
C. H. ACKLEN,
M. C. PUGH.

Report on Home Missions was read by J. J. Walker. Moved and seconded that the report be adopted.

HOME MISSIONS.

There is no more gratifying development in the denomination than the growing interest of Southern Baptists in their Home Mission work. Leading men among us have of late freely published their conviction that this department of our work is of great strategic importance and should be enlarged without delay. The Southern Baptist Convention at its last session put itself on record to the same effect, and unanimously and warmly recommended to the denomination that contributions be doubled for this object this year, the total amount recommended being $500,000. The following facts will confirm the sound judgment of the Convention:

First. Home Missions has already done great things for Southern Baptists. Missionaries of the Home Mission Board have made hundreds of converts, constituted thousands of churches, organized thousands of Sunday schools, and assisted in establishing the Baptist cause in every State capital of the South, save one, and in thousands of country places. Every State and almost every community has felt the direct or indirect influence of the work and received benefit from it. The record for last year, in independent and co-operative work, was in part, 15,526 baptisms, 13,008 additions to churches by letter, 237 churches constituted, 309 houses of workship built or improved, 648 Sunday schools organized. These figures do not include some other statistics and the untabulated influence of 112,604 gospel sermons and addresses, and of the exemplary lives of 865 Godly missionaries.

Second. The South presents great Home Mission need to-day. Southern cities are multiplying and growing in size and wickedness; floods of foreigners are coming in who must be saved or they will lower our standards of civilization; baneful heresies are being propagated in our midst; vast regions of destitution exist, especially in the Southwest; three thousand homeless churches call to us for shelters under which to worship our God. Cuba, the Isle of Pines, and Panama hold out appealing hands for the bread of life; the success of our mountain school work, as well as appalling need, encourage enlargement.

What answer will this Association make to these appeals? What will it do with this opportunity and this sacred duty? Your committee recommends (1), that we, as an Association, endeavor this year to increase our contributions to Home Missions in proportion to the advance recommended by the Southern Baptist Convention, which will be 50 per cent over what we did last year; (2) that in order to inform our people concerning this work and make possible the raising of this amount, pastors and others be requested to secure and circulate among our people the free literature of the Home Board; (3) that the messengers of each church in the Association be requested to secure at once a club of at least ten new subscribers to Our Home field, the beautiful 36 page magazine published by the Home Board at 25 cents a year; and (4) that we encourage our women to co-operate with the Woman's Missionary Union of the South in raising the $75,000, which the Union proposes to secure for Home Missions this year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. WALKER,
W. D. COVINGTON,
ROB ADREAD.

Prayer by J. J. Walker. Song, "Nearer My God, to Thee." Above reports discussed by J. J. Walker and R. W. Bryant.

Special prayer for missions lead by J. M. Phillips. Adjourned.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Called to order by the Moderator. Devotional exercises. Song, "There is a Fountain Filled with Blood." Prayer by Dr. Rowe. Song, "Greenville." Prayer by J. J. Walker.

Report on Sustentation was read by W. H. Foster. Moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Discussed by W. H. Foster, J. M. Phillips and Dr. Rowe. Report adopted.

SUSTENTATION.

The cause of Sustentation as a department of our Christian benevolence, is the work of caring for those old servants of God who have worn themselves out in the service of their Master and are now only waiting for His summons to their Heavenly home.

These old men in their younger days laid aside the opportunities for more lucrative places—places that their ability would have easily enabled them to fill, to go into the services of the meek and lowly Saviour, knowing full well that the opportunities of that life would not enable them to lay up a sustenance for their old age.

Brethren, they are God's servants, who by their great devotion to His cause, and by their untiring labor in His vineyard, have done so much for the success of God's cause in the world. But they have grown old and helpless, and they and their dependent ones must suffer unless we, out of our strength and plenty, shall come to their relief. We love to honor the old soldier who has spent only a few years in the actual service of his country, and we deem it a privilege to contribute to his support, but how many of us forget almost entirely those grand old men who have spent their entire lives in the services of Him whom we love and honor as our great Redeemer? Brethren, this should not be so. This is a cause that should plead to every one who loves God, should plead to every one who realizes his duty to His cause and helpless humanity and cause him to give liberally of his means for the sustenance of these dependent ones.

We ask for a more liberal contribution to this cause and for the sympathy and love of God's people for these noble men.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. FOSTER,
J. D. WALTER,
BARNEY TAYLOR,
J. A. CHAPMAN,
THOMAS SEINS.

Report from ladies' meeting was read by J. J. Walker, and accepted, and is herewith printed.

WOMAN'S WORK.

Thursday afternoon the ladies met in the Methodist church. In the absence of the President, J. J. Walker was invited and presided. There was a letter from the Secretary of the Central Committee, which was read. Also a letter from the President, which was also read. These imparted good cheer and comfort. After an address by J. J. Walker, a large number stood as an evidence that they intended to do more by way of reaching out and enlisting and organizing societies where there is none and to do more than ever before in co-operating and aiding our Boards to extend the Kingdom of the Master.

After a speech by Dr. Rowe, the reports on Missions and Sustentation were adopted.

Report of Finance Committee was read by W. H. Foster. Adopted without discussion.

FINANCE.

The following amounts were sent up by the churches to the Association:

Associational purposes	$66 19
State Missions	29 11
Home Missions	13 80
Foreign Missions	19 32
Sustentation	4 35
Orphanage	29 60
Collection for Orphanage	26 00
	$188 37

W. H. FOSTER,
R. L. RAWLINS,
J. W. TUCKER.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Sept.	3	By cash from Finance Committee	$164 82
"	3	By special collection for orphanage	10 60
"	3	By collection for missions	27 05
"	1	By check from S. B. Culpepper	48 40
			$250 87

DISBURSED.

Sept.	17	To check J. R. Carter, orphange	$13 60	
"	17	To check Mrs. Georgia Phillips, V.-P. W. M. Union Association	10 00	
"	17	To check Dr. Rowe, State Missions	51 73	
"	17	To check Dr. Rowe, Home Missions	19 37	
"	17	To check Dr. Rowe, Foreign Missions	7 02	
"	17	To check Dr. Rowe, Home, State and Foreign Mis.	27 05	
"	17	To check Dr. Rowe, Lowrey Ministerial Education	8 35	
Nov.	6	To Tell Farmer, minutes	36 00	
"	6	To check express on minutes	55	
"	6	To check Clerk's fee	20 00	
"	6	To postage and stationery	4 00	
			$197 67	
August	28	Balance to credit of Association	53 20	

RESOLUTION.

Whereas, The sale of liquor through agencies heretofore unnoticed and

Whereas, These agencies are open and above board, and are put into effect by men prominent in their several communities; and

Whereas, It is the duty of every law-abiding citizen to assist in breaking up lawlessness of every kind; therefore be it

Resolved, 1st. That this Association ask the judges and state attorneys of this State, including the attorney general to investigate the law relating to the "causing to be sold" and determine whether or not this law applies to advertisements in newspapers published in prohibition districts, and

Resolved, 2nd. That, if in their opinion, advertisements in such newspapers come under this law, that grand juries be instructed to indict any and all offenders against this law.

Respectfully submitted,

R. D. MAUM.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved 1st. That the Clerk be instructed to have a sufficient number of minutes printed and distributed. That he be allowed $25 for his services.

Resolved 2nd. That the Treasurer be instructed to pay Sister R. H. Dabbs $10 to defray her expenses as Vice-President of Woman's Work in this Association.

Resolved 3rd. That the thanks of this Association be extended to the Quitman church and the citizens of Quitman for the royal manner in which the delegates and visitors have been entertained.

Resolved 4th. That one page of our minutes be given in memory of our dead.

Resolved 5th. That we extend thanks to the Methodist people for the use of their house for meeting of ladies Thursday afternoon.

APPOINTMENT SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

In accordance with the recommendation in the report on Sunday Schools, I re-appoint W. B. Holcomb to secure the service of our Sunday School Evangelist Byrd, to visit the Association, spending two days in arousing an interest in the Sunday School Work, and that Brother Holcomb look after the grouping of the Sunday Schools.

W. H. PATTON, Moderator.

Brother Morris, from Gulf Coast Association, was recognized. Song, "God be with you till me meet again."

After closing remarks by the Moderator and prayer by Dr. Rowe, the Association adjourned at 11 a. m. to meet with the Baptist church of Shubuta, Friday, before the first Sunday in September, 1908.

W. H. PATTON.
Moderator.

O. D. B. CAUSEY,
Clerk and Treasurer.

CHICKASAHAY ASSOCIATION.

DATE.	PLACE.	MODERATOR.	CLERK.	TREASURER.	PREACHER.	Mems
1876 Dec. 2	Shubuta	W. D. Northrup	F. C. McGehee	M. E. Norris	W. D. Northrup	599
1877 Nov. 3	Enterprise	O. D. Bowen	"	F. C. McGehee	T. J. Walne	609
1878 Nov, 29	State Line	"	"	J. P. Seabrook	O. D. Bowen	696
1879 Sept. 5	Shubuta	W. D. Northrup	"	F. C. McGehee	W. B. Crumpton	717
1880 " 3	Meridian	J. W. Bozeman	"	"	J. M. Phillips	634
1881 " 2	Quitman	W. D. Northrup	"	"	J. W. Bozeman	581
1882 " 22	Buckatunna	J. M. Phillips	"	"	W. West	778
1883 " 28	Enterprise	J. W. Bozeman	"	"	W. H. Carroll	932
1884 " 26	Shubuta	"	"	"	J. W. Bozeman	1013
1885 " 25	Ellisville	"	"	"	L. M. Stone	1054
1886 " 24	Quitman	"	"	"	J. W. Bozeman	1339
1887 " 23	Heidelberg	"	W. M. Conner	W. M. Conner	L. E. Hall	1502
1888 " 21	Hattiesburg	S. O. Y. Ray	"	"	T. S. Powell	1776
1889 " 27	Waynesboro	J. W. Bozeman	"	"	J. B. Gambrel	2018
1890 " 26	Ellisville	"	"	"	J. A. Hackett	2350
1891 " 25	Meridian	"	"	"	G. W. Knight	2316
1892 " 22	Shubuta	"	O. D. Bowen	J. P. Meyer	J. A. Hackett	2426
1893 " 21	Sandersville	"	"	J. F. Parker	A. V. Rowe	2435
1894 " 20	Enterprise	"	"	"	C. G. Elliott	2644
1895 Oct. 3	Pachuta	L. M. Stone	J. S. Hardee	C. F. Woods	R. A. Venable	2336
1896 " 1	Mt. Gilead	"	"	J. S. Hardee	W. J. David	2281
1897 Nov. 27	Quitman	"	"	"	R. A. Venable	2233
1898 Sept. 24	South S. Meridian	R. A. Venable	"	"	J. A. Hackett	2500
1899 " 23	Fairfield	"	"	"	R. A. Venable	2731
1900 " 22	Stonewall	W. J. David	C. E. Roberts	C. E. Roberts	G. C. Johnson	2811
1901 " 21	Buckatunna	W. H. Patton	"	"	J. D. Cook	2738
1902 " 23	Shubuta	"	W. A. Roper	W. A. Roper	R. S. Gavin	3013
1903	Enterprise	"	"	"	A. J. Thames	2118
1904 Aug. 31	Waynesboro	"	"	"	W. A. Roper	1981
1905 Sept. 1	Stonewall	"	S. B. Culpepper	S. B. Culpepper	J. M. Phillips	1731
1906 " 1	Union	"	O. D. B. Causey	O. D. B. Causey	W. T. Lowrey	2604
1907 Aug. 28	Quitman	"	"	"	R. D. Maum	2088

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WOMAN'S MISSION SOCIETIES.

Churches.	Presidents.	Secretaries.
Buckatunna		
Clear Creek		
Chapperel		
DeSoto	Mrs. W. L. Ethredge	Mrs. S. J. Terrill
Enterprise	Mrs. J. C. Foster	Mary Richey
Fairfield		
Harmony		
Hiwanee	Miss Mattie Harrison	Mrs. Annie Williams
Knight's Valley		
Mt. Rose		
Mt. Zion		
Oak Grove		
Pleasant Grove		
Pachuta		
Pine Hill		
Quitman	Miss Mary Kirkland	Miss R. H. Dabbs
Stonewall		
Shubuta	Mrs. G. D. Phillips	Mrs. M. E. Halsell
Shady Grove		
Souinlovie		
Union		
Waynesboro	Mrs. Wm. McAllister	Mrs. S. Slay

SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORY.

Schools.	Superintendents.	Secretaries.	Post Office	No. Pupils	No. Teachers and Officers	No. Baptized	Expense
Buckatunna	W. B. Hooks	O. D. B. Causey	Buckatunna	64	4	2	$11 50
Clear Creek	W. B. Folconer		Shubuta	12			1 60
Chapperel	H. A. Chapman	J. L. Weaver	Chapperel	33	3		
DeSoto	Geo. B. Parker	J. N. Shirley	DeSoto	38	6		12 00
Enterprise	M. W. Buckley	M. W. Buckley Jr.	Enterprise		5	9	25 00
Fairfield	E. G. McMath		Eucutta	20	2	6	3 00
Harmony	W. S. Dobbs	Miss V. Daniel	Quitman	58	4	12	7 00
Hiwanee	W. A. Atkinson	C. R. Williams	Hiwanee	50	4	3	
Knight's Valley	J. E. Pope	H. H. Lofiter	Nancy	53	5	4	6 25
Mt. Rose	C. H. Acklen	J. A. Johnson	Quitman				
Mt. Zion							
Oak Grove	W. A. Harwell	Egenis Mabry	Shubuta	53	3	3	5 00
Pleasant Grove							
Pachuta	J. H. Rogers	O. Parker	Pachuta	36	3		8 00
Pine Hill	C. A. Crawford	H. S. Cox	Enterprise	25	4		3 50
Quitman	G. L. Donald	Jeff M. Carter	Quitman	93	6	3	60 87
Stonewall	J. W. Harper	Miss L. McEachern	Stonewall	109	10	1	56 00
Shubuta	W. H. Patton	J. M. Ulmer	Shubuta	87	11		38 72
Shady Grove	R. Johnson	C. Johnson	Tokio	30	3		3 60
Souinlovie	N. C. Powell		Enterprise	45	3		6 00
Union	W. L. Brunson, Sr.	Miss M. Williams	Quitman	60	4	20	6 00
Waynesboro	E. W. Stewart	C. H. Gray	Waynesboro	143	12	30	30 00

STATISTICAL TABLE NO. 1.

Churches.	Post Office.	Pastors.	Clerks.	Baptized	By Letter	Restored	Dis. By Letter	Deceased	Dropped	Total Membership	Value of Church Property	Value of Pastor's Home
Buckatunna	Buckatuna	T. E. Tucker	J. C. Ellis	5	3		1	1		96	$1250 00	$
Clear Creek	Shubuta	J. M. Phillips	C. M. Graham	6	3		6			70	700 00	
Chapperel	Chapperel	T. M. Jones	H. A. Chapman			1				17		
DeSoto	DeSota	J. J. Walker	G. B. Parker		3		1			63	1100 00	
Enterprise	Enterprise	J. A. Hackett	W. B. Ward	9	4		1	1		89	3600 00	
Fairfield	Eucutta	J. J. Walker	A. Rogers	10			6			44	400 00	
Harmony	Quitman	J. M. Phillips	G. W. Kennedy	12	3		7	2		102	650 00	
Hiwanee	Hiwanee	R. D. Maum	C. R. Williams	3	10		18			65		
Knight's Valley	Nancy	J. M. Phillips	R. T. Pope	11	8		5			81	600 00	
Mt. Rose	Quitman	W. B. Holcomb	G. W. Carter	26	3		4	1		111	500 00	
Mt. Zion	Winchester	E. M. Chase	C. D. O'Gwynn		1		20	2	1	91	900 00	
Oak Grove	Shubuta	H. A. Pickard	M. C. Pugh	3	10		3			70	600 00	
Pleasant Grove	Vossburg	J. M. Phillips	D. L. Goodwin		2		4	1	1	68	500 00	
Pachuta	Pachuta	J. A. Hackett	J. H. Rogers				7		1	63	800 00	
Pine Hill	Enterprise	H. A. Pickard	C. Nix				2		1	63	500 00	
Quitman	Quitman	W. B. Holcomb	J. A. Meadows	26	11		9	1		186	2000 00	1500 00
Stonewall	Stonewall	R. W. Bryant	T. J. Harper	1	15		44	3	3	301	3000 00	1250 00
Shubuta	Shubuta	J. J. Walker	O. P. Phillips	1	8		2	1		82	3000 00	1000 00
Shady Grove	Waynesboro	T. M. Jones	A. N. Jones				15				250 00	
Souinlovie	Enterprise	A. J. Hern	N. C. Powell		5		4			40	800 00	
Union	Enterprise	W. B. Holcomb	W. L. Brunson, Jr.	20	6	1	3	1		163	3000 00	
Waynesboro	Waynesboro	R. D. Maum	Bracy Beard	35	14	1	3	1	4	223	1500 00	

Stonewall	Stonewall	R. W. Bryant	T. J. Harper	1	15	..	44	3	3	301	3000 00	1250 00						
Shubuta	Shubuta	J. J. Walker	O. P. Phillips	1	8	..	2	1	..	82	3000 00	1000 00						
Shady Grove	Waynesboro	T. M. Jones	A. N. Jones	..	..	..	15	..	..	..	250 00	.....						
Souinlovie	Enterprise	A. J. Hern	N. C. Powell	..	5	..	4	..	..	40	800 00	.....						
Union	Enterprise	W. B. Holcomb	W. L. Brunson, Jr.	20	6	1	3	1	..	163	3000 00	.....						
Waynesboro	Waynesboro	R. D. Maum	Bracy Beard	35	14	1	3	1	4	223	1500 00	.....						

STATISTICAL TABLE NO. 2.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Mississippi College	Visiting Ministers	Sustentation	Orphanage	Church Expense	S. S. Expense	Relief of Poor	Associational Expenses	Building and Repairing	Miscellaneous	Total
Buckatunna	$150 00	$11 00	$ 10 35	$ 9 44	.....	$ 35 50	$	$16 15	$	$11 50	$	$3 00	$ 135 00	$	$ 378 94
Clear Creek	60 00	5 30	1 00	1 00	.....	15 00	.....	5 00	.....	1 60	.....	2 50	45 00	3 50	139 90
Chapperel	48 00	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	52 00
DeSoto	150 00	.....	28 91	.....	.....	38 50	.....	32 00	.....	12 00	.....	3 00	65 00	6 00	335 41
Enterprise	210 50	23 50	12 75	18 00	.....	55 00	.....	50 00	.....	25 00	.....	5 00	440 00	63 25	903 00
Fairfield	150 00	3 75	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	3 70	.....	3 00	.....	4 00	.....	3 50	170 95
Harmony	117 00	9 00	12 05	12 30	.....	26 00	8 08	16 05	.....	7 00	.....	3 00	.....	.....	210 48
Hiwanee	400 00	25 00	.....	26 85	.....	35 50	.....	15 00	.....	9 00	.....	2 50	.....	60 45	574 31
Oak Grove	75 00	.....	.....	2 32	.....	21 72	.....	18 15	.....	5 00	.....	2 14	9 00	.....	.....
Mt. Zion	120 00	7 25	8 00	7 00	.....	.....	4 35	8 20	.....	.....	.....	2 00	800 00	.....	956 80
Mt. Rose	150 00	10 65	1 36	2 00	.....	52 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	4 60	.....	213 21
Knight's Valley	75 00	2 70	3 80	3 80	.....	19 00	.....	7 20	.....	6 25	.....	3 00	.....	10 65	131 40
Pachtua	150 00	7 00	6 50	.....	211 00	.....	.....	7 10	.....	8 00	.....	3 00	.....	3 00	395 60
Pine Hill	72 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 50	.....	2 25	.....	.....	77 75
Pleasant Grove	95 00	5 00	3 70	3 70	.....	22 10	3 55	11 45	.....	.....	.....	2 50	22 60	.....	169 60
Quitman	350 00	30 75	11 75	5 00	.....	119 00	.....	.....	.....	60 87	.....	3 00	354 00	5 00	939 37
Stonewall	300 00	68 60	25 43	26 00	.....	18 25	.....	.....	.....	56 00	.....	5 15	34 80	185 44	919 67
Shubuta	400 00	51 25	23 35	63 71	55 00	51 00	.....	55 27	99 70	38 72	15 00	3 50	902 95	72 00	1831 35
Shady Grove	150 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 60	.....	3 25	.....	.....	156 85
Souinlovie	200 00	4 35	.....	3 70	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	6 00	.....	2 50	65 00	.....	283 55
Union	265 00	48 13	13 50	34 00	100 00	90 75	.....	65 71	.....	6 00	.....	2 40	2273 52	.....	2899 01
Waynesboro	400 00	25 00	100 00	50 00	.....	114 50	.....	40 44	88 40	30 00	.....	.....	50 00	.....	903 34

Big Creek, Chicora, Concord and Hepzibah not represented.